RULE

Department of Health Board of Pharmacy

Staffing Ratios (LAC 46:LIII.709 and 907)

In accordance with the provisions of the Administrative Procedure Act (R.S. 49:950 et seq.) and the Pharmacy Practice Act (R.S. 37:1161 et seq.), the Board of Pharmacy has amended §709 relative to pharmacy interns and §907 relative to pharmacy technicians. The Rule changes in §709 and §907 provide that the ratio of pharmacy interns, certified pharmacy technicians, and pharmacy technician candidates to pharmacists on duty shall not exceed four to one in any staff mixture at any given time. Of these four, no more than two may be pharmacy technician candidates. In addition to these four, the ratio of pharmacy interns on rotation with a board approved college of pharmacy to pharmacists on duty shall be no more than three to one. This Rule is hereby adopted on the day of promulgation.

Title 46 PROFESSIONAL AND OCCUPATIONAL STANDARDS

Part LIII. Pharmacists

Chapter 7. Pharmacy Interns
Subchapter B. Professional Practice Procedures
§709. Scope of Practice

A. ...

B. The ratio of pharmacy interns, certified pharmacy technicians, and pharmacy technician candidates to pharmacists on duty shall not exceed four to one in any variable at any given time, of which the ratio of pharmacy technician candidates to pharmacists shall be no more than two to one. In addition, the ratio of pharmacy interns on rotation with a board approved college of pharmacy to pharmacists shall be no more than three to one.

C. - C.3. ..

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 37:1182.

HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Department of Health and Hospitals, Board of Pharmacy, LR 36:755 (April 2010), amended by the Department of Health, Board of Pharmacy, LR 48:495 (March 2022), amended LR 49:1558 (September 2023).

Chapter 9. Pharmacy Technicians §907. Scope of Practice

- A. Pharmacy technician candidates and pharmacy technicians may assist the pharmacist by performing those duties and functions assigned by the pharmacist while under his direct and immediate supervision.
- 1. The ratio of pharmacy technician candidates, certified pharmacy technicians, and pharmacy interns to pharmacists on duty shall not exceed four to one in any variable at any given time, of which the ratio of pharmacy technician candidates to pharmacists shall be no more than two to one.

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B. - C.3. ...

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